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SUMMARY: DETERMINED TO BREAK THE IMPASSE WHICH HAS STALLED PLANS FOR FUTURE UNFDAC ROLE IN THAILAND, REXED PREPARING DISPATCH TWO-MAN MISSION TO BANGKOK NEXT WEEK TO PREPARE AND FINALIZE OUTLINE OF SUCH ROLE. END SUMMARY.

1. UNFDAC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR BROR REXED INFORMED MISSION OFFICER MAY 22 THAT HE IS DETERMINED TO LEAD THE FUND OVER THE IMPASSE WHEREBY IT HAS BEEN WAITING FOR THE RTG TO PREPARE A MASTER PLAN IN NARCOTICS CONTROL INTO WHICH THE FUND CAN FIT ITS ROLE. HE UNDERSTANDS AS A RESULT OF HIS DISCUSSION WITH PRIME MINISTER THAT RTG WOULD WELCOME AN UNFDAC WORKING TEAM VISIT, SO REXED PLANS SEND FRED MACKENZIE, UNFDAC EVALUATION OFFICER, AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MICHAEL DE METRE, UNFDAC PROJECT DEVELOPMENT OFFICER, TO THAILAND FOR SEVERAL WEEK PERIOD. (MR. DE METRE IS A FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER WITH EXTENSIVE ECONOMIC, ENGINEERING AND DEVELOPMENTAL BACKGROUND IN AID WHOSE SERVICES HAVE BEEN MADE AVAILABLE BY S/NM TO EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF UNFDAC TO DEVELOP PROJECTS AND ASSIST IN SEEKING FUNDING FOR THEM).

2. REXED DESCRIBED MAIN PURPOSE OF MISSION AS THREEFOLD: (A) TO PREPARE IN CONSULTATION WITH RTG BROAD PLAN OUTLINING NEXT PHASE OF UNFDAC SUPPORTED OPERATIONS AS PART OF INTEGRATED RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM FOR HILL-TRIBE POPULATION IN NORTHWEST THAILAND; (B) TO DETERMINE IN GENERAL TERMS EXTENT AND NATURE OF UNFDAC AID REQUIRED TO SUPPORT RTG OPERATIONS IN THAT PLACE; AND (C) TO STUDY POSSIBILITY OF JOINT ENDEAVOR INCLUDING UNDP, BRD, USAID AND OTHER SOURCES IN THE BROAD PLAN TO BE PREPARED UNDER (A) ABOVE.

3. REXED SUGGESTED WILLIAMS (DIRECTOR OF UNFDAC PROGRAM IN THAILAND) FOLLOW TEAM'S COURTESY CALL ON SENIOR RTG OFFICIAL WITH MEETINGS WITH UNDP, IBRD, USAID, ONCB, NESDP, DTEC OFFICIALS, AS WELL AS FOLLOWING EMBASSIES: AUSTRALIA, CANADA, WEST GERMANY, AND USA. HE ALSO SUGGESTED WILLIAMS ASK GENERAL POW SARASIN AT OUTSET OF MISSION TO CHAIR MEETING CONSISTING OF ALL INTERESTED PARTIES ONCB TO IMPRESS ON MEETING THAT PRIME MOTIVE OF MISSION "IS TO PREPARE AND FINALIZE REPEAT FINALIZE AND RETURN TO GENEVA" WITH OUTLINE DESCRIBED PARA 2A ABOVE. REXED STRESSED TO WILLIAMS THAT "ONLY THUS WILL UNFDAC BE IN POSITION TO ATTRACT WITHOUT DELAY FUNDS ESSENTIAL FOR NEXT PHASE OPERATIONS."

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4. COMMENT: MISSION WELCOMES EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S CLEAR ACCEPTANCE OF CONCEPT USG HAS ADVOCATED FOR YEARS, VIS. THAT UNFDAC MUST DESIGN APPROPRIATE PROJECTS IN ORDER TO INDUCE CONTRIBUTIONS FROM GOVERNMENTS. WE ARE ALSO GRATIFIED AT THE SPEED AND DETERMINATION REXED IS SHOWING VIS-A-VIS THAI PROGRAM. OUR IMPRESSION IS THAT HE SERIOUSLY INTENDS TO CLARIFY UNFDAC FUTURE ROLE IN THAILAND AND TO GET ON WITH FULFILLING IT.

5. MISSION TRUSTS THAT AMEMB BANGKOK WILL BE AS HELPFUL AS POSSIBLE TO THIS UNFDAC TEAM, WHOSE WORK WE VIEW AS CRUCIAL TO FUTURE OF ONE OF UNFDAC'S MAJOR PROGRAMS.

6. DE METRE WOULD APPRECIATE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH SAIC/BANGKOK DURING HIS STAY. END COMMENT.
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